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Dear Mr. Webster:

RE: Review of Final Environmental Impact Statement for Equus Beds ASR Project,  
Sedgwick & Harvey Counties, Kansas, REIS No. FES 09-29

The Environmental Protection Agency has reviewed the Final Environmental Impact Statement for Equus Beds ASR Project, Sedgwick & Harvey Counties, Kansas. Our review is provided pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act 42 U.S.C. 4231, Council on Environmental Quality regulations 40 C.F.R. Parts 1500-1508, and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act. The FEIS was assigned the Council on Environmental Quality number 20090422.

Overall, the FEIS adequately identifies potential environmental and human health impacts. The only comment we would like to include is regarding the number of federally listed threatened or endangered species. On page 52, it states that six T/E species are identified for the project area, two more than are included in the DEIS. However, on page 57, only the same four species as in the DEIS are mentioned. EPA recommends that these differences be re-examined for accuracy and amended as necessary in the Record of Decision.

It appears that all of the suggestions and concerns addressed in our September 2, 2009 DEIS comment letter have been adequately considered and addressed in the FEIS. EPA thanks you for addressing these observations and recommendations.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments regarding this project and your FEIS. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 913-551-7565 or via email at [tucker.amber@epa.gov](mailto:tucker.amber@epa.gov) or you may contact Joseph Cothorn, NEPA Team Leader at (913) 551-7148 or via email at [cothorn.joe@epa.gov](mailto:cothorn.joe@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

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